What God thinks of me (Psalms 139)

I have with me a list of bazaar facts, let's see if any of you know the answers.

- 1. This item is no where to be found inside Las Vegas gambling casinos, what is it?
- 2. More money is spent on this than any other hobby?
- 3. If you live to be over 100 years old there's an 80% chance you are a ______
- 4. This ordinary name was never recorded until the book Peter Pan was created what is the name?
- 5. If all the **water** in the world, contained in various containers were to be poured into the open ocean, the water level would rise by how much?
- 6. Forensic experts can determine the sex, age and race of the person simply examining what from a person?
- 7. The majority of deaths in hospitals occur between what times?
- 8. The chances of you dying on the way to get this is greater than your chances of winning.
- 9. What did the letters for golf originally stand for?
- 10. The custom of shaking hands with the strangers originated to show what?
- 11. Coca-Cola was originally what color?

Anybody get them all right? Our knowledge is very limited isn't it?

One of the reasons I love to study the Bible is because there is always something in it that I have forgotten about or have never learned before. All throughout the O.T. God is constantly urging his people to understand and know him.

In Hosea chapter 4, God said, "My people our destroyed because of lack of knowledge."

Also, Jer wrote, in Jer 9:23, "Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, Let not the mighty man glory in his might, Nor let the rich man glory in his riches; But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the LORD,"

There is no doubt about, it is incredibly important to learn as much as we can about God and His word. It's a wonderful thing to have knowledge of the Bible, however, today is going to be different. I don't want us to think about how much we know about God, I want us to think about how much God knows about us. Bible teachers will tell you that of all the 150 Psalms, Psalm 139 is the one that best describes God's personal relationship with us.

I. David says, "God you know me." Verse 1-4

Isn't it amazing that God knows everything about us? David says, "Lord, you searched me and know me." You've made a detailed search into my life.

You know all my actions; You know all my words. You know my thoughts. You know not only what I have done, but you know why I did it.

II. God you are always with Me: (7-12)

In this section David talks about how God is everywhere.

Vs 7, "Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in the underworld, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me," Even the night shall be light about me;

David asks, "Where can I go from your Sprit?" Maybe we could go upward from your presence, no God is in the heavens." What about Sheol, the place of departed spirits? Nope, God is also there. Let's try the east and west, let's the try the sea, it does not matter, God is there.

"Even there your hand shall lead me and your right hand will hold me." Let's wait a while to see if we can hide in the darkness. That won't work either because God's gaze penetrates the darkness."

Have you ever heard somebody ask, "Where is God?" They're going through difficulties, or tragedy. What's the answer? God is always here and He is with me.

III. God you made me in a wonderful way: Vs 13-18

Isn't it amazing how God has blessed us with unique talents and abilities?

In Verse 13, David says, "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful."

Can we say the same thing as David? Can we look at ourselves and say, "Wow God, you did a great job on me." That's not bragging, that's praising God. Too many times we put ourselves down, telling ourselves we're no good. Who are we really putting down? The creator who made us. When we say, "God, I'm worthless and I can't do anything right," what you really saying is, "God, you blew it when you made me."

God says, no I didn't. I created you just the way I wanted, but you just haven't figured out yet. Praise God for his wonderful creation of you.

These verses also speak about how precious life is. Look at verse 13, "You formed my inward parts, you covered me in my mothers womb."

Verse 16, "Your eyes saw my unformed substance, in your book all my days were recorded."

This is one of the strongest verses to use against abortion. In the womb God sees more than an embryo. He sees what kind of personality we're going to have. He sees what kinds of talents we will have. God sees what kind of person you will be, and it's all planned out in advance.

There's a Christian Project called the Psalm 139 project, that's trying to put an ultrasound machine in every Pregnancy Care Center because they believe if a woman can see how her baby is knit together in the womb, she will want to carry it to full term.

4. God, you think about me all the time: (Vs 17-24)

David says, "God's thoughts about us outnumber the grains of sand."

God is thinking about you and me all the time. What is he thinking about? One of the things he's thinking about is in verse 23. God is searching your heart, searching your motives, and your anxious thoughts, or worries and He's trying to lead us in the right direction.

In Matthew 6: Jesus says, "Be careful not to do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."

Every good deed will be rewarded no matter how insignificant, regardless of whether anybody else saw it or not.

Galatians 6:9 "We should not grow weary in doing good because we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Close: As David ponders about how much God thinks of him, verse 6 links it all together.

"Such knowledge is too wonderful for me."

David says, You know me, You're always with me, You Made me, and You think about me all the time." Is your mind blown away like David's?